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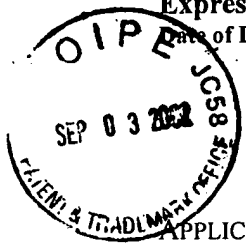
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PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 15966-750 (CURA-250)

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APPLICANTS: Vernet et al.
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FOR: NOVEL PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

Response to Restriction Requirement (6 page);
Petition for Extension of Time for one-month;
Check in the amount of \$55.00 (#13905); and
Return Postcard.

This filing is in response to the Office Action mailed July 3, 2002. This Response is due on or before September 3, 2002, with a one-month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed. However, if the fee is insufficient, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees required in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-750 (CURA-250).

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